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FOLLOWING IS INFORMAL TRANSLATION OF AGENCE FRANCE
PRESS NEWS RELEASE NO. 135, DATED AUG. 28, ENTITLED
"A GROUP OF DEPUTIES CALL FOR THE CREATION OF A
MINISTRY OF AVIATION":

"A STUDY GROUP (GROUPE DE REFLEXION ET
PROPOSITION) COMPRISED OF UDR (GAULIST) DEPUTIES
IS ASKING FOR THE CREATION OF A MINISTRY OF AVIATION,
AS PREVIOUSLY EXISTED, WHICH WOULD BETTER DEFEND THE
FRENCH AVIATION INDUSTRY.

"THE GROUP HEADED BY HECTOR ROLAND, DEPUTY UDR
OF THE DEPARTMENT OF ALLIER, EXPRESSED THE OPINION IN
A COMMUNIQUE THAT IT WAS URGENT THAT THE FRENCH
GOVERNMENT INFORM THE US GOVERNMENT THAT IN CASE
CONCORDE COULD NOT OBTAIN THE RIGHT TO LAND ON
AMERICAN SOIL, SUCH A DECISION WOULD BE CONSIDERED AS
AN EXTREMELY UNFRIENDLY GESTURE AND THAT DECISIONS OF
A POLITICAL NATURE WOULD HAVE TO BE TAKEN BY FRANCE'.

"RELATING AMERICAN ANTI-CONCORDE PRESSURES, THE
COMMUNIQUE GOES ON TO SAY "THAT THIS ANIMOSITY WHICH
IS INCREASING MORE AND MORE TOWARD OUR COMMERCIAL
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AIRCRAFT, FOLLOWING THAT SHOWN AGAINST OUR FIGHTER

PLANE IN THE SALE OF THE CENTURY, IS
BECOMING INTOLERABLE."
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